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REFS: (A) ISLAMABAD 7590; (B) KARACHI 3720; (C) KARACHI 3735

1. BUREAU UNDERSTANDS COMPLETELY IMPORTANCE OF SUBJECT LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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VISIT AS OUTLINE IN REF A AND, BEFORE ARRIVAL OF THAT MESSAGE, WAS ABLE TO USE SAME ARGUMENTATION TO SECURE S/NM FUNDS TO COVER BRIG ZAHID'S TRAVEL EXPENSES IN US. HOWEVER, IMPOSSIBLE ON ELEVENTH HOUR BASIS TO PUT PERSONALLY-TAILORED PROGRAM TOGETHER AS REQUESTED IN REF A AND B FOR FOLLOWING REASONS:

A. BECAUSE OF SHORTNESS OF LEAD TIME DISCUSSED ABOVE, NOT POSSIBLE TO MAKE HOTEL AND AIRLINE RESERVATIONS WITHOUT LEAVING US OPEN TO MAKING ERRORS AND OMMISSIONS INZAHID'S PROGRAM THAT HE WOULD FIND VEXING AND CONFUSING.

B. IN ORDER TO USE S/NM FUNDS TO PROGRAM ZAHID'S VISIT, IT WILL BE NECESSARY TO RECAST ENTIRE PROGRAM TO INCLUDE NECESSARY NARCOTICS CONTROL ELEMENTS THAT WOULD MAKE ZAHID'S VISIT TO US USEFUL TO BOTH HIM AND US. THIS REQUIRES, SHIFTING A MAJOR PART OF PROGRAMMING ACTIVITIES AWAY FROM FAA AND PLACE THEM IN HANDS OF APPROPRIATE DEA AND CUSTOMS OFFICIALS.

C. FAA, AWARE THAT IT COULD NOT FUND ITINERARY AS OUT-LINEDIN REF B (SEE STATE 195056) WAS ONLY ABLE TO ARRANGE ZAHID'S ITINERARY TO INCLUDE ANTI-HIJACKING COMPONENT. THE RUB WAS THAT THERE WAS NO TIME FOR STATE TO MAKE AND COORDINATE ITS ARRANGEMENTS WITH DEA AND CUSTOMS SO THEY WOULD DOVE-TAIL NEATLY AS A COMPLETE PACKAGE WITH THOSE MADE BY FAA.

2. WHILE FOREGOING MAKES IT IMPOSSIBLE FOR DEPT TO ARRANGE FOR ZAHID'S VISIT AS REQUESTED IN REF B, IMPORTANCE OF HIS MAKING TRIP TO US IS FULLY RECOGNIZED. S/NM WILL BE PLEASED TO ARRANGE PROGRAM BUT WILL NEED AT LEAST ONE WEEK AND, HOPEFULLY, TWO WEEKS LEAD TIME. LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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3. WE NOTE IN REF C THAT BRIG IS SCHEDULED TO ATTEND FOUR-DAY CONFERENCE IN TOKYO WHICH WILL END ON OR ABOUT AUGUST 21. IS IT POSSIBLE TO REVERSE HIS PROGRAM TO HAVE HIM ARRIVE IN LOS ANGELES LAST HALF OF AUGUST TO PICK UP PROGRAM WHICH WOULD INCLUDE SAME CITIES PROPOSED IN HIS ORIGINAL ITINERARY? PLEASE ADVISE. VANCE

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